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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANT: Carroll Diaz

DATE: February 2, 2005

SERIAL NO.: 10/071,786

GROUP ART UNIT: 3679

FILED: February 7, 2002

EXAMINER: Flandro, Ryan M.

FOR: "Toggle Bolt Device"

ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.: A01280US (98618.1)

RESPONSE

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is a response to the Office Action dated November 2, 2004. A shortened statutory period was set to expire three months from the date of the Office Action, making a response due by February 2, 2005.

AMENDMENT

Please amend the application as follows (additions are underlined and deletions are shown in strikeout):

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Reply to Office Action of November 2, 2004

of Allowance is hereby respectfully requested.

Should the Examiner feel that a telephone conference would advance the prosecution of this application, he is encouraged to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

Applicant respectfully petitions the Commissioner for any extension of time necessary to render this paper timely.

Please charge any additional fees due or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0694.

Respectfully submitted,



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RESPONSE

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT
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Sir:

This is a response to the Office Action dated July 13, 2004. A shortened statutory period was set to expire three months from the date of the Office Action, making a response due by October 13, 2004.

AMENDMENT

Please amend the application as follows (additions are underlined and deletions are shown in strikeout):

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bore 13. The shaft 14 has a threaded end portion 16 that receives a locking nut 17. Clearly, one skilled in the art will recognize that the clearance between the plate 18 and the body 11 is defined by the position of the nut on the shaft 16. One skilled in the art will immediately recognize that the position of the nut 17 defines clearance between the plate 18 and the body 11 to accommodate the slight axial movement of the shaft. As noted in figures 4, 4A and 5, the locking members 20 travel with the plate 18, being mounted on the pegs 22. As stated in the specification at page 5, lines 26-27, the shaft 14 has a threaded end portion 16 that receives a locking nut 17. Even if one skilled in the art were to tighten the locking nut 17 so tight that no axial movement is permitted, such a person skilled in the art would very quickly realize that the nut could be loosened slightly so that axial movement is allowed.

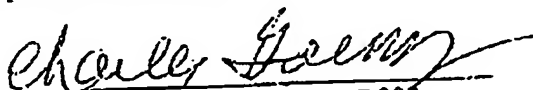
Reconsideration and a Notice of Allowance is respectfully requested.

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